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A CAD TOOL VENDOR

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## SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE SECOND OFFICE ACTION

## Initial Comments

Claims 26-40 are pending in this application. Claims 26 and 29 are amended. Claim 40 is added.